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on this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, December 4:—

9 a.m.—Military Practice.

MONDAY, December 7:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Lands at the
Public Works Department's Office.

TUESDAY, December 8:—

Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of The
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.,
at the Head Office.

FRIDAY, December 11:—

9 p.m.—A. S. Watson & Co. Performance at the
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BIRTH.

At 'Fairy Glen,' Martin Road, Singa-
pore, on Nov. 20, the wife of FREDERICK
KRABER, of a Son.

DEATH.

At Takeda-no-Bessu, Sunayoshi, on Nov.
20, CHARLES DRESSER, a native of London,
England; aged 46 years.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1903.

The report on the Foreign trade of
China in 1902, by Mr J. W. Jamieson,
the British Commercial Attaché, pro-
vides ample food for thought to those
who study China's trade and its possi-
ble development. One section of the
report deals with the currency question.
As the decision of the Colonial Office
arrived at on the advice of Sir Henry
Blake, advised in his turn by the
minority of the Hongkong General
Chamber of Commerce—irrevocably
links Hongkong to China in currency
matters, it may interest the people of
Hongkong to know Mr Jamieson's
opinion of the prospects of currency
reform in China. Notwithstanding the
fact that three of her most important
adjacent constituents—Japan, the
Straits Settlements, and the Philippine
Islands (and Mr Jamieson might have
added Siam)—have 'gone gold,' he is
of opinion that 'so long as China does
not possess an Imperial silver coin—
to which copper cash shall bear a fixed
relation—actually current amongst and
accepted by all who own allegiance
to the Emperor, to discuss the possi-
bility of establishing a gold standard
or of building up a gold reserve is
absolutely futile.' In this respect, Mr
Jamieson sets himself in opposition to
the self-constituted mentors at the
Open Ports, whose range of vision, he
says, is apt to be limited. Time will
show whether Mr Jamieson or these
Open Port critics are right; but, for
our own part, we are not prepared
to accept the dictum of any Commer-
cial Attaché who writes:—'An addi-
tional reason for depreciating
undue haste—we presume he means
in the efforts to encompass a stable
ratio of exchange—lies in the fact
that, at the moment of writing, the
shadow of the silver bogey appears to
be on the wane. Exchange has risen
and is steady, and with the element
of instability removed the apprehensions
of the foreign merchant, who feels that
he is living in a country economically
doomed, should be allayed. Foreign
capital can still find remunerative in-
vestment, and should the present
upward tendency of local stocks be
maintained it can always be withdrawn
—its value enhanced by the relatively
high rates of interest earned. It may, in
conclusion, be noted that the economic
position of China is being improved
by the spread of Western education
and a markedly increasing demand for
foreign literature.' The Attaché who
writes thus of a question like the
relation of gold and silver currencies
has no excuse for accusing the com-
mercial men of the Open Ports of
limited vision, for no one but an
opportunist of the worst type would so
dogmatise on a temporary rise in ex-
change. His own limited vision is
obvious. He ignores the economic
results achieved in India and Japan,
and the benefit the Philippines are
already experiencing from the adoption
of the gold standard. He ignores Sir
Robert Hart's proposals for the intro-
duction of a gold standard into China,
and dismisses the views of those he
is pleased to dub 'doctrinaires' by
saying: 'The only remedy that sug-
gests itself [to alleviate China of the
burden of her gold debt] is the intro-
duction of a gold standard, but no-
body knows exactly how this can be
done, and in the multitude of their
counselors it is to be feared they find
little wisdom.' Perhaps the American
Commissioners now on their way to
Peking will shed a ray of light on Mr
Jamieson's currency path. Of course,
it must necessarily be a difficult mat-
ter, as he says, 'to legislate for a coun-
try whose media of exchange form a
heterogeneous conglomeration of units
ranging from sterling drafts on the
eastern coast to empty bottles on the
south-western hills.' Here, unconscio-
usly, Mr Jamieson gives us in Hongkong
some idea of 'the media of exchange'
with which Hongkong is to be as-
sociated indissolubly. It would be a
reductio ad absurdum to ask the Chief

Manager of the Hongkong and Shang-
hai Banking Corporation to give a
daily quotation between sterling cur-
rency and empty bottles; but those
who argue that Hongkong's currency
must continue to be expressed in silver
because the currency of China is silver
will be interested to learn from
Mr Jamieson that: 'The real current
coins of the realm are copper cash.
They constitute the popular measure
of value for wages, for the price of
native produce, the cost of foreign
commodities—in fact, for everything,
and, expressed in silver, they have
year by year been depreciating every-
where in China.' We know that Mr
Jamieson's statement is correct in this
particular, and so we arrive at the
argument that 'Hongkong must remain
silver because China is copper.' The
currency of Hongkong must continue
to be silver because China pays for her
native produce and buys foreign com-
modities in copper. It is for this
reason that Mr Jamieson advocates
the introduction of a uniform national
silver currency for China, and after this
is accomplished, he thinks 'reformers'
—the word is evidently intended to mean
'the advocates of a gold standard'—
will then have 'a tangible entity'
wherewith to deal. In other words,
instead of attempting to make one
sweeping reform, which would not only
benefit her trade but help her in the
payment of her indemnities, Mr Jam-
ieson favours two separate reforms,
the first, so far as we can see, in no
way helping China out of her diffi-
culties, and postponing indefinitely
the only change that would really
benefit her and her trade with foreign
countries, on which, for many years, she
has had to rely for her most sub-
stantial financial securities. We need
scarcely add that we do not agree with
Mr Jamieson. It is Hongkong's inter-
est to secure stability for her
currency, and no comparison with
fluctuating securities dependent on
extraneous influences for dividend-
earning power and relative value, or
references to temporary rises in exchange,
will convince any thoughtful man
that the present system is the best, or
that the foreigners in the Treaty Ports
should cease their agitation for the
establishment of a gold standard in
China. If Hongkong cannot have a
currency existence separate from China,
Hongkong's past experience of ex-
change fluctuations and consequent
trade depression must impel her to
join in the agitation for a gold stan-
dard in China when currency reform
is attempted.

Russians in Action with Bandits.

The *Kobe Herald* publishes the following:
—Peking, November 29.—The telegraph
lines in Manchuria have now been seized by
Russian officers and the Chinese authorities
are now conveying messages between Inkao
and Mouliden by carriers. The Tartar
General reports that about 100 Russians
engaged a number of rioters at Shinmien
on the 10th inst., and seven or eight of the
Russians were killed. The Tartar General
reported later that the rioters of Shinmien
were the mounted bandits. Over forty
Russians were killed. The bandits lost
much less in the fighting. Several Japanese
were with the bandits and repulsed the
Russians, who marauded the neighbour-
hood. The Tartar General reported under
date of the 18th that the Russians have
now driven the bandits from Shinmien and
fighting is going on in the district about
Chao-yang. The Russians are plundering
the Chinese houses in the district.

The Disturbances at Chemulpo.

The following official report of a meet-
ing of the Council of Chemulpo Foreign
Settlement has been received by the Gov-
ernment at Tokyo: On Nov. 14 a confer-
ence of the Foreign Settlement Council was
held for consideration of the steps to be
taken for the policing of the Settlement and
the prevention of such outbreaks as that
which recently occurred between Russian
sailors and Japanese residents at Chemulpo.
At the Council, the Russian Vice-Consul
dwelt upon the weakness of the police force
in the Settlement, and moved that the force
be increased. The Council recommended
that a European superintendent with police
be appointed. The Council decided that
two Europeans should be added to the
police force, but the suggestion regarding a
superintendent was rejected. A resolution
was passed to the effect that the Foreign
Ministers at St. Petersburg should be re-
quested to place sailors going ashore in
charge of officers.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Taikoo Annual Sports.

The annual Taikoo Sports will be held
on January 1, and arrangements are already
in hand to bring about a successful meeting.
An advertisement in this issue announces
the cycling track will be open for training
from 1st December next.

Hongkong Christian Union.

Monday being observed by many as
a day of intercession for foreign missions,
the meeting on Monday evening will be
devoted to that subject. The Rev. T. W.
Pearce will preside, and the meeting will
be held at 6.15 in the room of the Union,
Beaconsfield Arcade. All are cordially
invited.

The 'Salamanca' under Arrest.

The S.S. *Salamanca*, owned by the
Lombard Steamship Company, Ltd., No.
23, Great St. Helens, London, has been
placed under arrest at the instigation
of Messrs. Carlowitz and Co. The claim
is one for \$12,000, being charter money
overpaid. It appears that in July 1902, the
Salamanca was stranded in the Philippines,
and Messrs. Carlowitz and Co. paid charter
money for the month of September, for
which, they allege, they were not indebted
to the owners of the ship. This money
should have been repaid to Messrs. Carlowitz
and Co., but as it was not proceedings have
been instituted. The defendants have three
months in which to put in an appearance to
defend the action, so that unless they
appear before, or deposit security for the
steamer, she will remain in custody until
February 24, 1904.

The Occupation of Mukden.

According to the *Kobe Herald* Peking
correspondent the Russian Government
have made an announcement in St. Peters-
burg to the effect that the Russian authori-
ties in the Far East have not destroyed the
administration of Shinkiang Province, Man-
churia. They add:—The reoccupation of
the city of Mukden by Russia was com-
pulsory, and she had to station two Com-
panies of Infantry and a Company of Archers
there. Therefore the reoccupation of
Mukden could not be called an actual
occupation of the city. Russia had already
intention of taking possession of Manchuria
permanently. However, as the situation
has now reached such a stage, the future
measures to be taken by Russia will depend
upon the measures adopted by the Powers
in regard to the situation in Manchuria.

The Obedient Typist.

The chief was cross that morning and
was venting his wrath on the pretty young
body who manipulated the type-writer.
'Everything is in confusion on my desk,'
he said testily. 'It always is.'

'You insist that you don't want anything
disturbed there,' she responded meekly.
'Well, I don't want papers disturbed,
but I don't want this sheet of postage-
stamps left there.'

'Where shall I put them?' she inquired
demurely as she took them up.
'Don't ask so many questions,' he snap-
ped. 'Put them anywhere out of my
sight.'

'Very well, Sir,' she cooed as softly as
a dove.

And licking them with her pretty red
tongue she stuck the sheet on his bald
head and walked out to seek a new
situation.

Promoting Trade with N. S. Wales.

Mr John Bligh Suttor, who has been
appointed Commercial Agent in the East
for the Government of New South Wales,
has been in Manila for several days over-
looking the commercial field and the possi-
bilities of trade between the Philippines
and the Commonwealth of Australia, says
the *Manila Times*. Mr Suttor comes from
one of the earliest families of Australia,
the first gold discovered in the country be-
ing found on the farm of his grandfather.
Mr Suttor is an enthusiastic Australian,
and a firm believer in the future greatness
of the country and the possibility of pro-
fitable trade relations being established
with the Philippine Islands. Possessing a
pleasing personality, besides being a good
shot, a clever business man and enthusiastic
in all things Australian, Mr Suttor seems
to be the one man who could be looked up-
on to succeed in the difficult mission he
has been selected for as the advance agent
of Australasian trade with the Far East.
Mr Suttor will shortly be in Hongkong.

Peace of Humiliation.

The members of the Taio Dosbi Kai
have decided to commence a vigorous
campaign against the Government should
the next meeting between Baron Komura
and Baron Rosen prove abortive and the
negotiation be indefinitely protracted.
They claim that should silence still be
maintained, it may be taken that the Gov-
ernment is content with the peace of
humiliation. The members consider it
surprising that the great parties of the
Constitutional Association and the Pro-
gressive are apparently so unconcerned in
regard to the all-important Manchuria
question. They express particular won-
derment at the fact that the Progressives,
who have made a 'strong policy in foreign
affairs' their platform for so long, should
show such indifference on the present
occasion. It is stated that the Progressives
party has resolved to practically ignore the
Manchuria question during the coming
Session of the Diet, and to take up 'the
social manufacture nuptury and the
question of the abolition of certain pre-
factual governments as their chief line of
attack.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mortality in August.

During August there were 495 deaths
in the Colony, 26 being in the European
community.

Assistant Superintendent of Police.

His Excellency the Officer Administer-
ing the Government has appointed Edward
D. C. Wolfe to act as Assistant Superin-
tendent of Police and as Police Magistrate
for the new Territories, with effect on and
from December 1.

Not Saratoff.

A despatch from Constantinople to the
Nova Frise Presse says that Hilmi Pasha,
the Turkish Inspector General, has tele-
graphed from Nicosia that the isurgent
leader who was killed in a recent fight was
Stephen Petroff, and not Boris Saratoff, the
chairman of Macedonian Revolutionary
Committee, as stated.

Chinese for the Straits.

A correspondent writes to the *Singap-
ore Free Press* to say that the unnamed
'representative of the Straits' alluded to
by a Canton Correspondent of the *China
Mail*, as recruiting Chinese agricultural
settlers, is the Revd. Dr. Luning, who,
however, in no sense is a representative of
the Straits Government, but is alleged to
be acting with the sanction of the Perak
Government.

A Marine Case.

At the Marine Court before Mr B. H.
Taylor, Acting Marine Magistrate, this
morning, Ng Yau, the master of the steam
launch *Cheong Yick* was fined \$5 or fourteen
days imprisonment for failing to observe
the rule of the road. Lieut. C. Asser,
of H.M.S. *Fame*, said that he was coming
up the central fairway on Nov. 24, and when
off Illako Pier he saw a steam launch steer-
ing a tight hand course on the port-bow.
The steam launch made no attempt to slow
down, consequently witness had to go full
speed astern. As it was, they went very
close together, so close that the Chinese on
board the launch had commenced to take
their coats off. Defendant said that he
could not see the *Fame*, owing to being
covered by other steamers.

The Opening of Yong-Am-Pho.

The repeated efforts of the British and
Japanese Ministers in favour of the open-
ing of Yong-am-pho to foreign trade, as-
sisted by the U. S. Minister, have at last,
according to a telegram to the *Asahi*,
moved the Korean Government, which a
few days ago decided to obtain the Imperial
sanction to the opening of the port through
the Minister for Foreign Affairs without
submitting the matter to the State Council.
The Imperial sanction, the telegram con-
tinues, was obtained on Nov. 17, and the
opening of the port was about to be an-
nounced to the Foreign Ministers when the
Imperial Court instructed the Minister for
Foreign Affairs to refrain from making the
announcement. This hitch is ascribed to
the opposition of the Russian Minister,
who is said to have influenced the Minister
for the Imperial Household. A later tele-
gram states that Yi Hsi-yung, the Minister
for Foreign Affairs who recommended the
opening of Yong-am-pho to the Throne, is
regarded as a traitor by the pro-Russian
party. The Russian Minister is actively
opposing the opening of Yong-am-pho, and
prevented the departure of the Russian
warships at Chemulpo when they were
about to leave. The course the Korean
Government will take in this new difficulty
is a matter of keen speculation.

The National Review.

The contents of *The National Review*
for October are varied enough to appeal to
a wide circle of readers. Two articles deal
with the prevailing topic of debate—Mr
Chamberlain's fiscal proposals.—Mr Mat-
thew J. Kenny, ex-M.P., dealing with it
from the Irish Nationalist's point of view.
Army men will find the 'Recommendations
of the War Commissioners' arranged in
brief and handy form, and will find interest
in Mr John Leyland's 'The New Naval
Training, engineers may learn something of
the Practical Aspects of the Moxo-Rail' is Mr F. B.
Bohr's article, the clergy will be divided
over the Hon. Mrs. Edward Stunt-
Wortley's views 'On Teaching the Old
Testament to Children,' while University
men will enjoy Sir Leslie Stephen's 'Early
Impressions' of Cambridge. Mr T. Cyprian
Williams discusses a vexed question in
'The Power of Clubs to alter rules,' and
Mr Justice Webb, K.C., discusses 'The
Genuine Text of Shakespeare,' while Mr
Richard Bell, M.P., general secretary of the
Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants,
is responsible for a thoughtful article on
'The Reign of Labour,' which places the
side of the working man very fairly before
the reader. Mr Bell appeals for a stronger
representation of the labour party in
Parliament. Mr A. Maurice Low's letter
on 'American Affairs' is well written, and is
sufficient to keep the average reader in
current of important happenings on the
American continent. It will be seen from
this that the *National Review* for all, and is
quite in the front rank of English
magazines.

Children when Teething.

HAVE more or less diarrhoea, which
cannot be checked effectually, as the
cause cannot be removed; but the diarrhoea
can and should be controlled by giving
Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy,
and an occasional dose of castor oil to
cleanse the system.

During the summer months children are
subject to disorders of the bowels and
should receive the most careful attention.
As soon as any looseness of the bowels is
noticed, Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea
Remedy should be given. Get a bottle to-
day; it may save a life. For sale by all
chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS
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TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
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**BRITISH PARLIAMENTARIANS
IN PARIS.**

**CORDIAL HOSPITALITY
TENDERED.**

LONDON, November 27.

The party of British Members of the
House of Commons, Peers, and Colo-
nial Agents General, and several ladies,
who are on a visit to France, were
most hospitably entertained on reach-
ing Paris.

They were given a reception at the
Elysée, and President Emile Loubet
affably conversed with the various
members.

Subsequently the party visited Par-
liament House and were shown over
the Chamber of Deputies and the
Senate.

[Elsewhere another Router telegram an-
nounces that the visit was undertaken
under the auspices of the Commercial
Committee of the House of Commons.—
Eu. C.M.]

A ROSEBURY PARADOX.

**MR CHAMBERLAIN'S
PECULIAR DISCOVERY.**

LONDON, November 27.

Lord Rosebery, in addressing a meet-
ing on Great Britain's fiscal policy,
declared that Mr Chamberlain had dis-
covered a disease which did not exist,
and had proposed a remedy which was
worse than the disease.

The Engineer's Ball.

The members of the Institute of En-
gineers and Shipbuilders have decided to
have a ball on December 18 in the City
Hall, for which arrangements are well un-
der way. An able Committee is in charge
of the matter, and they can be depended
upon to have all arrangements concluded
before the event is timed to commence. It
is now about four years since a ball was
given by the Engineers and Shipbuilders,
and as previous balls given by the Institute
have been very enjoyable, there is no reason
to believe that this one will prove less
popular than its predecessors.

A New Review.

When the first issue of *The Independ-
ent Review* appeared upon our desk we
supposed that the appearance of a new
political organisation in England was re-
sponsible, as usual, for a new magazine.
Our surmise was incorrect. For though
the Editorial 'Council' admits that the
present interesting state of the political
situation is responsible for the bulkiness of
the first issue, it is evident that the
Review is not quite a party weapon,
although the first twenty-seven pages
are devoted to 'A Plea for a Program-
me' which savours of the Liberalism
of the present Liberal Party. The best
article is certainly that of Mr Hector Mac-
pherson on 'The Evolution of Scotland.'

'A German Appeal to the English' (in
German and English) is probably Professor
Mommson's last contribution to an English
Review. Mr James Bryce, M.P., who was
Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs at a
most interesting period in the history of
the Balkan States, is one of the highest and
most reliable authorities on the politics of
the Near East. His contribution is an
attack upon the Prime Minister and a
criticism of the present Ministry for their
attitude towards the Bulgarian question.
Mr Bryce, who was a prominent opponent
of the Boer War, favours British inter-
vention in the Near East, without, ap-
parently, counting the cost of such inter-
vention. He considers it the duty of
Great Britain (though the representative
of a Scottish constituency, Mr Bryce uses
the word 'England' when he means 'Great
Britain') to attempt the disentangling of
the difficulties which Austria and Russia,
as the parties most closely affected outside
Turkey, are trying to overcome. Mr Bryce's
closing appeal is as follows:—'Be the
result of his efforts what it may, England at
least is bound to do her best to serve the in-
terests of humanity—interests which seem
to be much less regarded in our days than
they were forty years ago. Let England at
least clear herself from the disgrace of hav-
ing stood coldly and timorously by, while
horror, unaccompanied even in the East,
is being perpetrated, a country devastated,
a people blotted out, Mr Augustine
Birrell writes in his pleasant and attractive
way on Elementary Education, and the
other papers are—Canon Barrett on
'Social Reform,' Mr Edwin Cannon on
'Colonial Preference,' Mr Hugh Bell on
'Protection and the Steel Trade,' Dr
Sneyd on 'The Obligation of the Clergy,'
and Mr G. Lewis Dickinson on 'Ec-
clesiasticism.' There is the first chapter of
a story—'Mr Burden'—by Hilary Bell,
and several reviews. Whether *The In-
dependent Review* is required or not it is
for the reading public to say. There is
always room for a good newspaper

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1903.

THE CHINA MAIL.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH M. P.'s VISIT TO FRANCE.

London, November 26. Ninety Members of the House of Commons, several Peers, and the Colonial Agents General, accompanied by sixty ladies, under the auspices of the Commercial Committee of the House of Commons, have gone to Paris as the guests of a large and influential Committee of French Senators and Deputies. The reception was a very cordial one. Baron Des Tournelles welcomed the visitors, who after three days in Paris will visit Bordeaux, Marseilles, Lyons, Nice and Monte Carlo.

THE HOTTEST REBELLION IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The rebel South African are awaiting the arrival of the Governor at Keetmans Krop, and a satisfactory solution of the difficulty is anticipated.

TURKEY AND THE MACEDONIAN REFORM SCHEME.

Before assenting to the Reform Scheme the Porte begged Austria and Russia to modify the terms and received an absolute refusal. On the Russian Ambassador repeating the refusal yesterday in a strong note, the Porte's attitude underwent an entire change.

TROUBLE IN COLOMBO.

Washington, November 23. The Asiatic Squadron of the United States Navy has been ordered to sail for Honolulu, Hawaii, at once. The situation between the United States and Colombia over the United States support of the Panama route is critical. Colombia is ripe for war with the United States. A hundred thousand Colombians have volunteered in case of hostilities.

UNITED STATES AND CUBA.

Washington, November 21. The Cuban Reciprocity Bill has been referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Francis C. Newlands, Democratic Representative in Congress from Nevada, has introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution, which if passed, would be an invitation from the United States to Cuba to join the Union as a State.

EXPLOSION OF AN AIRSHIP.

Paris, November 21. The Lebaudy ship exploded during a trial trip. The daring navigator of the machine was uninjured.

THE PANAMA TREATY.

Washington, November 21. The treaty of the Panama Canal has been published, according to which the United States guarantees the independence of Panama and obliges itself to pay annually \$200,000 after 1912. The United States Government has officially announced to the Republic of Panama that it will guarantee the independence of that State. The plans for the military work on the Panama Canal have been approved by the War Department.

CHINESE AND THE PHILIPPINES.

The American Federation of Labor, the most powerful association of workmen in the world, has passed resolutions demanding that Chinese laborers be excluded from the Philippines as from the United States.

YALE DEFEAT HARVARD.

New York, November 21. The Yale-Harvard football game was attended by an immense gathering; Harvard was defeated by the score of 16 to 0.

CHARGES AGAINST GENERAL WOOD.

Washington, November 21. Major General Leonard Wood, now Military Governor of the Moro Provinces of the Philippines, is charged before Congress, in session here, with various misdeeds, by Bates Rathbone, formerly Director of Posts at Havana, during Wood's term of Governorship of Cuba.

THE COLORADO STRIKE.

Denver, November 21. General Bates, the Department Commander, has been ordered to the scene of the miners' strike in Colorado to investigate the situation with a view to military intervention.

CHINA AND PANAMA.

Panama, November 14. The Empire of China has formally recognized the Republic of Panama.

Remember the Name.

YOU may have an attack of diarrhoea, dysentery, or pain in the stomach one of these days, and it will be well to remember the name of a medicine that will cure you. Say it slow—Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy. ASK ANYONE Who has had occasion to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, or Diarrhoea Remedy, and see what they say. No one has ever used this medicine without praising it for it always cures. Get a bottle to-day; it may save a lot of trouble, and perhaps a life. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

NOTES AND NOTIONS.

BY DEAN ESPRIT.

THE WAR LIAR—STANDARD GIRL—HOW HONGKONG IS DAMAGED.

The uncertainty of things up north has given the prolific liar plenty of opportunity of getting in some fine work, and to his credit be it said, he has taken full and free advantage of them. He has had war ready to break out on several occasions, and has even gone so far as to appoint dates and times. That the war did not come along to suit his convenience does not matter a snap. He never tries to explain away things, but, instead, wades further into the mire by ignoring his past failures and arranging other nice little incidents. When the fleets of Japan and Russia failed to obey his dictates and got to hots some time back, he arranged a landing of Japanese in Korea, but as that also collapsed he got his head to work and fixed up for China to turn on Russia. So far as we are known, China has refused to take on the job, and now he has settled on a nice little splash between two Russian ships of war, at present proceeding from Singapore to Port Arthur, and the Japanese fleet. He has the latter coming down to meet the Russian fleet, and has given instructions to the latter to show their teeth. The other day, he had it tided that an engagement was to take place on a certain day (Thursday), but evidently his plans have gone away, for we have not yet heard of the battle of the day. He has been so busy with his telegrams that he has not had time to take the time to say, and who started the story is hard to say, but it is a fact that the whole thing is a fabrication, and the author, if he can be found, should be brought into public notice and presented with a certificate of denunciation to the society founded by Baron Munchausen and Ananias.

Australian papers coming to hand show that the parents of the girls who recently went as far as Singapore on their way to Johore as typists to the Sultan, are now doing their best to justify their daughters' notions. The Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association wrote stating that she protested with the young women before they left Sydney, and alleged that they went away without the full consent of their parents, and a few days later the parents wrote denying that they had refused to allow their daughters to accompany the Sultan. The matter brings to mind the fact that many Australian girls are brought to the East and practically stranded, and the chief offenders in this direction are theatrical companies. Only a week ago, a theatrical company passed through here from Manila on their way to Shanghai and for some reason or other left a young girl, not nineteen years of age, in the Colony. Certainly the Company gave her a steamer ticket back to Australia, but she was left without a cent to carry her down. The Company made an agreement in Australia with the girl, who was a singer and dancer, and when she got here they got her off and she went to the mercantile world. Had she not a friend who took her case in hand, who utilized the services of his solicitor, on her behalf, and generally interested himself in arranging her affairs, there is no telling what might have become of her. It is worthy of the Government to take a hand and see that travelling companies who brought young women to a foreign land like this treated them properly and left them with sufficient funds to discharge their obligations here and carry them back to their homes. This is not the first case that has occurred, and in fact within the last six months two other young women were left here by theatrical companies. Had it not been that they met with people willing to lend them financial assistance, the probability is that they would have been sued for debt and placed in positions that no white girl should be subjected to. The practice is unjust to the girls themselves and unjust to the people of the Colony who have it in their power to teach the management of such companies a lesson.

How the trade and commerce of Hongkong is liable to be enormously damaged can easily be seen by those who take sufficient interest to glance at the American files now coming to hand. Most of them contain long telegrams dealing with the plague in Hongkong, more particularly the experiment recently conducted by Sir Henry Blake. One Canadian paper has a telegram on the subject, and brings it under the public notice by placing huge black headlines over it. "PLAGUE DANGER AT HONGKONG. INVESTIGATIONS SHOW A SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS. MAY WIDE OUT NATIVE CITY. BELIEVED TO BE THE ONLY WAY OF BRACATING THE PERIL OF INFECTION." Then the telegram tells the story of the late Governor's experiment, and incidentally makes the following misleading statement: "A block of native houses containing several thousands of inhabitants, which was certified as being free from plague was selected for the examination of vermin as the first step." As a matter of fact, the district was chosen because it was supposed to be the district in the city and not as the author of the telegram says. However, the message goes on to describe how the fleas and spiders and cockroaches in this clean block were found to be infected with samples of blood taken from healthy inhabitants in other parts of the Colony were found to contain plague germs. "The only cure seems to be," says the telegram in conclusion, "the destruction of the native town and the erection of a new and clean one which can be kept under sanitary control." This, after Sir Henry Blake had gone to the trouble and expense of trying to prove that all that was wanted to rid the Colony of plague was to teach the Chinese clean. Anyway, this sort of information spread broadcast about the world, is not calculated to enhance Hongkong's commercial standing. The Chinese Government should set out in search of the scamp of the sensation monger.

INTERCEPTED LETTERS.

No. 1.

The Peak.

Hongkong, Sept. 14, 1903.

My Dear Nell,

At last I find time to write and tell you that we have arrived at our home and the long voyage out here, and have arrived safely in this land of dragons and yellow devils, and I am glad to be able to say that, that we have been married for nearly two whole months, the other person is still as devoted as ever.

How ought I to refer to him when writing to such a dear friend as yourself? His pet name is far to use of to be used except in the bosom of the family. The occasions on which I refer to him as Mr. . . . I can't call him "my husband" when writing to you—it would sound far too stiff. I must get a special fancy name. "The Mighty Atom" would describe the position he holds in this household. "The Hub of the Universe," the position he thinks he holds—only the latter is far too polysyllabic a title; his Christian name is "William." Well, I had better call him "William." . . .

William was glad when the voyage was over, for the people on the steamer bored him horribly. I, on the other hand, found every minute of absorbing interest. My dear Nell, you have only to say "want excitement," you have only to sit in a long chair placed in an advantageous position and you will soon have a thermostated half a dozen children going on around him, but treated everyone and everything but English with open contempt, and freely expressed the opinion that "All foreigners were fools, and that if he had been born a Frenchman he'd have hanged himself as soon as he was old enough."

My dear Nell, I'm simply dying to tell you that I started to write, and you have only left, those three lines, you'd have told me to know the rest. But I had to tell them out, because my short experience of Hongkong has already taught me that a married woman who desires peace and happiness must never repeat anything that might hurt her husband's feelings. I desire both peace and happiness, and I like to be on good terms with everybody—rather a difficult task in Hongkong, I must say—and I'm no holding myself up to the light, because I've really tried it, and you can't make out one single word that way.

A full and faithful account of Society and its doings in Hongkong, as I know it, promised you, Nell, but I don't really know where to begin. There is so much to tell. I think I had better send you a series of letters telling you of our various frivolities and odd ways of amusing ourselves in this far-off spot.

Well, to begin, Hongkong, as far as I can make out, is short an acquaintance, seems to be divided into—

(1) The Peak, a would-be mountain, dotted over with bungalows and villas, where in live the elect.

(2) The lower levels, inhabited by the great business population.

(3) Kowloon, where the soldier-folk come from.

The Peak looks down on everything and everybody. It is a fine view, and I promise you, Nell, but I don't really know where to begin. There is so much to tell. I think I had better send you a series of letters telling you of our various frivolities and odd ways of amusing ourselves in this far-off spot.

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HOCKEY.

78th COMPANY V. 80th COMPANY, E.T.C.

The 78th and 80th Companies of the Royal Garrison Artillery met in a hockey match at Happy Valley yesterday, with the result that the 78th Company won by five goals to nil. The teams were as follows:—

80th Co.:—Brown, goal; Toome and Spencer, backs; Seavelly, Browning, Roberts, halves; Jackson, Pacey, Strorer, and Dowling, forwards; Messrs. Williams, Schane, Walker, Jervis, and Gough, forwards.

78th Co.:—Furter, goal; Loughran and Sheahan, backs; Smith, Sibbick, and Riley, halves; Lieut. Miles, Messrs. Schane, Walker, Jervis, and Gough, forwards.

110th MAHARATTA, E.T.C. The 110th Maharatta of the Hongkong Hockey Club played five goals to one at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. In the first spell the 110th Maharatta scored two goals to nil, and for the interval notched three more to their opponents' one. The following were the teams:—

H.K.H.C.:—Parker, goal; Smith and Murphy, backs; Knyvet, Gabbett, and de Veuille, halves; Barnes, Johnston, Scott, Wedderburn, and Davies, forwards.

110th Maharatta:—V. Powers, goal; V. Gow and S. Yasmun, backs; Lieut. Davies, Capt. Hill, and Capt. Stephens, halves; Lieut. Cooper, M. Jordan, Lieut. Heath, S. Kassin, and K. Ghopar, forwards.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. V. THE NAVY.

This match was begun to-day at a quarter past five, the time fixed for the start being 11 o'clock. The Naval strength just now is an unknown quantity, and the relative strength of the two teams was scarcely known before the match. It was felt, however, that the Club was well equipped to win, even though Messrs. Lumsden and R. Hancock were not on the side.

Sercombe Smith won the toss from Moore and went in to bat, taking with him P. Maitland. Play was steady, but runs came from both ends, the opening bowlers being Swan and Silver. Maitland seemed to give a chance at point off his first ball, but Meaden, who was on the field, took it, and played very steadily and scored faster than his captain. As both men seemed set to reach it, the field was ordered to be moved in. In the end, Meaden was put on in place of Silver, and off his second delivery, he pitched the ball, which was caught by Meaden.

Ward joined Maitland, but did not come to the wicket. At 16 he gave the ball to mid-on, a hard ball, which the fieldman was unable to catch. At one o'clock, the adjournment was made for fifteen minutes, and the match resumed at 2 o'clock. Ward 20, both not out.

After the adjournment the runs began to come more freely, and the century was reached in sight. At 116 Ward gave a chance to mid-on, but the fieldman was too far out, and could not get it. The next ball he tipped, but the wicketkeeper for Maitland played a fine catch. After scoring 60, Maitland was out to his wicket when the score stood at 134. Maitland had scored 60.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

"THE PRINZ HEINRICH'S" EXPERIENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, November 27.

Sir,—The almost incredible story you relate in to-day's issue about the departure of the Prinz Heinrich from Singapore on the 24th October is to my knowledge substantially correct. Very shortly after we left the wharf a steam-launch came along, and I saw the ship's company. Both passengers and crew were on deck. Both passengers and crew were on deck. Both passengers and crew were on deck.

You had better go back to the bridge—there are mines laid. This has repeated once or twice and added—"I'd go back if I were you." A short time afterwards some passengers heard an explosion, but it was not loud enough to attract any attention. There was no excitement on board at the time as only two or three passengers heard what was said and they hardly realised the situation. Enclosing my card, I remain, etc.

FANSENGER.

THE JOCKEY CLUB AND FAIR PLAY.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

No. 2, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903.

Sir,—In order to correct any possible misapprehension as to the authorship of a letter, dated 27th instant, which appeared in the Hong Kong Daily Press of this morning's date under the heading "The Jockey Club and Fair Play," I beg to say that I am not either directly or indirectly the author of such letter.

I happen to be the owner of a brown Australian mare, which has run at the last two meetings of the Hongkong Jockey Club, under the name of Ichiban. Doubtless, the writer of the letter referred to was unaware of this, otherwise I feel sure he would have displayed better taste than, in such a confined place as Hongkong, to have chosen "Ichiban" as his nom de plume for the above letter.

When I write to the public Press I invariably write over my own name—I am, Sir, yours, etc.

GODFREY C. C. MASTER.

A HARROGATE CHEMIST ON STEARNS' WINE OF COD LIVER OIL.

Public attention has been so much attracted of late to the new development of medicine—Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil—that the following letter will be read with interest:—

Mornington House, Harrogate. My attention having been drawn to Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil with reference to Iron, I have pleasure in telling you that I can recommend this preparation to the public as the best medicine I have found containing cod liver oil. It is so elegantly prepared that the taste is not at all perceptible. It is most valuable as a tonic, as well as a vehicle for cod liver oil taken in this form as most beneficial.

WILLIAM THOS. SWAIN, Pharmaceutical Chemist. This unimpeachable testimony has been borne out by all that we have heard concerning Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil, which, as the most effective substitute for ordinary cod liver oil yet devised by medical science, is now being very generally prescribed for various diseases of all kinds. The extractive principles of cod liver oil, combined with a rich wine, together with a desirable quantity of peptonate of iron form the sole ingredients of Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil. It is an ideal restorative and tissue-builder, and a powerful tonic. Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil, being acceptable to the most delicate stomach, is an ideal medicine for convalescents, assisting recovery with marvellous rapidity.

Sold by all Chemists and A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd. STEARNS' HEADACHE CURE CURES OF ALL CHEMISTS.

To-day's Advertisements

CHATRE'S NEW INDIAN CIRCUS.

TO-NIGHT, 28th NOVEMBER, 1903.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

IN A CIRCUS TENT ON THE PRAYA, OPPOSITE THE CENTRAL MARKET.

MENAGERIE OF HIGHLY TRAINED ANIMALS.

MARVELLOUS GYMNASTIC EXERCISES.

WONDERFUL ACTS.

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RUSSIAN SINGING AND DANCING.

ROYAL SHAKAR, THE AFRICAN LION, introduced by Miss AWADA.

Particulars from Expresses. Soldiers and Sailors half price except the last class.

Afternoon Performance at 3 P.M. each day, and night time at 9 P.M.

VASU ANNA.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903. 2374

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Company's Steamship THALES.

Captain Benson, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 1st December, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIRRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903. 2398

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUL.

The Company's Steamship HAIMUN.

Captain Gisson, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 1st December, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIRRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903. 2399

THE HEARING OF THE BANKRUPT'S APPLICATION FOR HIS DISCHARGE IS FIXED FOR THURSDAY, the 17th day of December, 1903, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Supreme Court.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1903. BRUCE SHEPHERD, Office of Receiver and Trustee.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DIVIDEND.

No. 1 of 1903.

Re The Lan Hai Tine lately carrying on business at No. 24, Jervois Street, Victoria, aforesaid, under the style of KWOK SHAN LUNG, Pico Goods Merchant.

A first and final dividend is intended to be declared in the above matter. Creditors who have not proved their debts by the 30th December, 1903, will be excluded.

Notice of Application for Discharge.

No. 24 of 1902.

Re MAN SUI, lately trading as the KWOK SHAN LUNG, at No. 11, Temple Street, Yumati in the Colony of Hongkong, as Grocer.

THE hearing of the Bankrupt's Application for his Discharge is fixed for Thursday, the 17th day of December, 1903, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Supreme Court.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1903. BRUCE SHEPHERD, Office of Receiver and Trustee.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903. 2399

To-day's Advertisements

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

Will Give Performances of THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST.

FRIDAY, 11th DEC. 1903.

SATURDAY, 12th DEC. 1903.

MONDAY, 14th DEC. 1903.

Commencing each Evening at 9 P.M.

Dress Circle \$3

Stalls 3

Pit 1

No HALF PRICE.

Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after Friday, 4th December, at 10 A.M.

Booking Office will be opened daily from that date from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Late Trams will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903. 2395

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 7th day of December, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Causeway Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
1st December, 1903. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.
15th December, 1903. Freight.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ.

About end of December.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

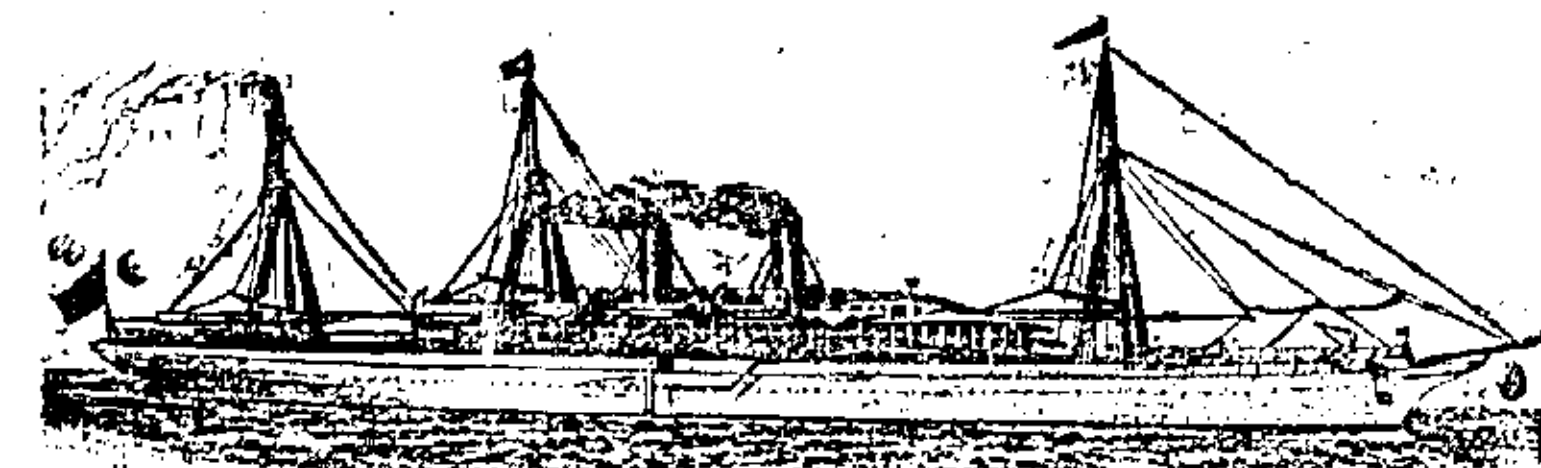
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
29th December, 1903. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.
5th January, 1904. Freight.

For further particulars, apply to

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SAFETY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

Express Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 13 knots.
Saving 3 to 7 Days across the Pacific.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to Alteration.)

R.M.S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1903.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CHINA	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1904.
R.M.S. ATHENIAN	3882 Tons	Wednesday, Jan. 27.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF INDIA	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Feb. 10.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Feb. 24.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CHINA	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Mar. 9.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF INDIA	6000 Tons	Wednesday, Mar. 30.
R.M.S. ATHENIAN	3882 Tons	Wednesday, April 20.
R.M.S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN	6000 Tons	Wednesday, May 11.

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Hongkong, November 10, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
BOMBAY MARU,	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and	TUESDAY, 1st
T. MURAI,	COLOMBO.	Dec., at Noon.
YAWATA MARU,	NAGASAKI, KOBE and	WEDNESDAY,
A. E. Meese,	YOKOHAMA.	Dec. 2, at Noon.
SANUKI MARU,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 4th
W. Townsend,		Dec., at Daylight.
KUMANO MARU,	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, Via	FRIDAY, 4th
A. E. HANVELL,	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWN-	Dec., at 4 p.m.
	SVILLE and BRISBANE.	
KAWACHI MARU,	MAISELLES, LONDON and	SATURDAY, 12th
H. Fraser,	ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PEN-	Dec., at Daylight.
	ANG, COLOMBO & Port Said.	
KINSHU MARU,	KOBE.	MONDAY, 14th
F. L. PINE,		Dec., at Noon.
YOSA MARU,	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE.	TUESDAY, 15th
A. CHRISTIANSEN,	U.S.D. PORTS, MOJI,	Dec., at 4 p.m.
	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	
HAJATA MARU,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 18th
F. L. SOMMER,		Dec., Daylight.
KAGOSHIMA MARU,	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 25th
K. KAIL,		Dec., at Noon.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Canton Road.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, November 28, 1903.

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
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JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
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EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST
AUSTRALIAN, JAVA, AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DARWIN	5th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	YANGTZE	12th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	29th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NEXTER	1st January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KREMER	8th January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYGON	8th December.
LIVERPOOL	ACHILLE	24th December.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	FRONTENHES	29th December.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARWIN	5th January.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YANGTZE	12th January.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TYDEUS	29th January.
MARSELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NEXTER	2nd February.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool, at Laidon Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	TYDEUS	29th November.
the PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via	TYDEUS	1st January.
NKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.		

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	30th November.
MANILA	KAIFONG	2nd December.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	2nd December.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND,		
COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS-		
VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and	CHANGSHA	2nd December.
MELBOURNE		
HOLOLO AND CEBU	NANCHANG	4th December.
KOBE	CHINGTU	10th December.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports.

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IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

SAILING DATES, 1903.

WEDNESDAY, 9th Dec.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

<i>Destinations.</i>	<i>Vessels.</i>	<i>Agents.</i>	<i>Date of Leaving.</i>
Australian Ports, &c.	Eastern (s),	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Dec. 10, at Noon
Bremen, &c.	Prinz Heinrich (s),	Molchers & Co.	December 9
Bremen, &c.	Friz Albert (s),		

Day, Spore & Co.Bo.	Somabay Maru (s).....	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Dec. 1, at N. on.
Havre and Hamburg.	Suevia (s)	Hamburg-A'mk Linie	December 1.
Havre and Hamburg.	Aragonia (s).....	Hamburg-A'mk Linie	December 15.
Yokoh & Cebu.	Nanchang (s).....	Butterfield & Swire..	December 10.
Sobe	Chingtu (s).....	Butterfield & Swire..	December 14.
Sobe & Yokohama	Sanki Maru (s).....	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 4, Daylight
Sobe	Kinsui Maru (s).....	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 14, at Noon.
Sobe & Yokohama			

Liverpool	Achilles (c)	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 5 at 10 a.m.
London, &c.	Chusan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 5 at Noon.
London, Amoy &c.	Formosa (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 11.
London, Amoy	Wanderer	M. G. Rego, B. & Co.	December 3.
Manila	Robina (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Dec. 5, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Robina, Maru (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Dec. 12, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Rufu (c)	Butterfield & Swire	December 2.
Manila	Suzuki (s)	Butterfield & Swire	December 2.
Manila, Australian Ports	Chungking (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 4 at 10 a.m.
Manila, Australian Ports	Kumanga Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 4 at 10 a.m.

Marselles via Saigon		Nippin Tsuchi Kanae	Dec. 12, Daylight
Marr., Liden & A/c/p.	(c)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	December 8, 1 p.m.
M'Ki, Robe & Y'hanna		Butterfield & Swire	December 8.
M'Kiss, N. Suez Canal		Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 2, at Noon.
M'New York, Suez Canal		Dowdell & Co., Ltd.	December 8.
New York v. Suez Canal		Herman (s)	December 16.
New York v. Suez Canal		Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Dec. 10.
New York v. Suez Canal		Sherman, Tomes & Co.	About Dec. 10.
Ningpo		McGregor Bros. & Govt.	December 10.
Ningpo		Palamooty (s)	December 30.
Ongon, v. Amoy & Swatow		Jardine Matheson & Co.	December 10.

Shanghai.	Siemens & Co.	Dec. 1 at 4 p.m.
Shanghai.	Simla (s)	Dec. 1 at 4 p.m.
Shan P'ei-cho via Japan.	Arthol (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai and Pootung, on.	Indra-sunha (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Ping Calcutta.	Linsang (s)	Dec. 1 at noon.
Shanghai, Pootung, on.	Ho Joo-keek & Co.	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Ym.	Hoze & Jacob & Co.	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Ym.	Saluzie (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Ping, Bay &c.	China (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Pootung, on.	Shanghai (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.
Shanghai, Pootung, on.	Amira Mera (s)	Dec. 2 at noon.

Row, Amy, & Tancie	Daughters (s)	Douglas Lapsky & Co.	Dec. 1.	Daylight
Victoria, B.C.	Seattle	Douglas Lapsky & Co.	Dec. 1.	at Mt a
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 13.	4 p.m.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	December 16.	
Victoria, B.C.	Tos Maru (s)	Canadian P'ac R. Co.	January 13.	
Victoria, B.C.	Empress of China (s)	Dowell & Co. Limited	December 15.	
Victoria, B.C.	Empress of Japan (s)	Dowell & Co. Limited	December 15.	
Victoria, B.C.	Tokome	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 14.	
Yama, Shiri, Miji, Kube	Japan (s)			

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.				
November 28, 1903.				
Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. (Ask.)
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	\$ 125	all	13680, buyers 1 London, £82.10

Do.	Founders' shares	23,950	£	10	8	32½	bargers
		750	£	1	£	\$10	
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	£	250	£	50	\$175, sales	
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	14,000	£	83.33	£	25	\$81, sellers	
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	£	100	£	25	£15, 250	
Shanghai Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£	250	£	100	\$102½, sellers	
Shanghai Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	£	100	£	60	\$135	
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£	100	£	20	200, sellers	

DOCKS, ETC.				
"Hong & Phipps Dock Co., Ltd.,	50,000	\$	50	all \$310, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited,	9,000	\$	23	\$ 23,247
New Amey Dock Co., Ltd.,	6,000	\$	05	\$ 05,358, sellers
W. & A. G. Boyd & Co., Ltd.,	65,700	Tis.	100	Tis100, Tis. 125, buyers
STEAMERS, TUGS, ETC.				
U. S. and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd., ..	39,000	\$	50	\$ 50, \$18, sales
Philippine Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$	50	all \$30, sales
R. K. O. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.,	80,000	\$	15	\$15, \$30, sales

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WHARVES.			
... & Koe, Wharf & Godown Co.,	30,000	\$ 50	all \$254, buyers
... and Hongkong Wharf Co.,	20,160	Tls. 100	Tls. 2124, sellers
LAND AND BUILDING.			
... Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	\$ 100	\$161, sellers
... Land Investment Co., Ltd.	3,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 103, sales
... Land and Building Com- pany	6,000	\$ 50	\$35
... Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 123, sellers

st Point Building Co., Limited.....	12,500	\$	50	\$	50	\$502, sellers
.....						
High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	\$	100	all		\$320, sellers
Mining.						
Robb Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.....	60,000	\$	5	5	5	50 cents, sellers
Panjon Mining Co., Ltd.....	30,000	\$	11	8	11	\$1.50, sellers
.....	50,000	\$	1	all		30 cents
de Francaise des Charbon.....	16,000	Pcs.	250	all		\$600, sellers
ages du Tonkin.....						
ab Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	20,000	\$	1	12/10		\$8, sellers

Longkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	5	50	all	\$146, sales
or House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin) ..	2,030	7	17a.50	17a.50	\$160, buyers
or House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'p'g) ..	34,000	3	25	25	\$28, sales
Marine Hotel, Ltd.					
S. Watson & Co., Limited.	60,000	3	10	all	\$148, sales & buyers
St. Lukes Limited.	10,000	3	10	19	\$67, sales
Mentoro.					
and China Gas Co., Limited.	7,000	2	10	all	\$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	7a.	60	71a.50	\$136, sellers
Shanghai Electric Co., Limited	30,000	9	10	10	\$124, sales

BUICK and CEMENT.			10		reg. sellers
Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$	11	\$ 12	reg. buyers
NICKELAZONES.					
Is Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$	50	\$ 50	\$15
Asbestos Eastern Agency.	8,504	£	12/8	12/3	20, sellers
Asbestos Oriental Agency.	9,000,000	\$	10	\$ 4	29, buyers
Asbestos Oriental Agency.	100,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$21, buyers
Asbestos Oriental Agency.	100,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$40
Asbestos Oriental Agency.	7,000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$15, buyers

...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	Ls.	75	Tls.	all	\$12, buyers
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	5,000	Ls.	75	Tls.	all	\$240, buyers
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	Ls.	20	Tls.	20	Tls. 425
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	10,000	Ls.	5	Tls.	5	nominal
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	10,000	Ls.	all	Tls.	all	\$145, sellers
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	10,000	Ls.	10	Tls.	10	\$10, buyers
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	17,500	Ls.	0	Tls.	0	Tls. 35
...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	10,000	Ls.	75	Tls.	75	Tls. 224
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...gah Waterworks Co., Ltd.	10,000	Ls.	75	Tls.	75	Tls. 224

Drawing, Ltd.,	2,300	Tls. 600	Tls.500	Tls. 200
Banco de Espana Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$9, buyers
Banking Company, Ltd.,	60,000	\$ 13	\$ 12	\$8, sellers
Central Trading Co., Ltd.,	23,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$20, buyers
Central Moore & Co., Limit ed ..	1,200	\$ 10	all	\$3, buyers
Powell, L., Ltd.,	12,000	\$ 10	\$ 19	\$82, buyers
Sing Lee and Hongkong Dyeing & Finishing Co., Ltd.,	1,200	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$50, Nominal
Union-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd.,	1,200			

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